



4. Since August of 2006, applicant has been, and presently is, a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the State of North Carolina where applicant regularly practices law. Attached is a certificate of good standing.

5. Applicant has been admitted to practice before the following courts:

<u>Court</u>	<u>Date Admitted</u>
North Carolina Supreme Court	August 25, 2006

Applicant is presently a member in good standing of the bars of those courts listed above and has not been suspended or disbarred in any court.

6. Applicant presently is not subject to any suspension or disbarment proceedings, and has not been formally notified of any complaints pending before a disciplinary agency.

7. Applicant never has had any application for admission *pro hac vice* in this or any other jurisdiction denied or any *pro hac vice* admission revoked.

8. Applicant never has had any certificate or privilege to appear and practice before any administrative body suspended or revoked.

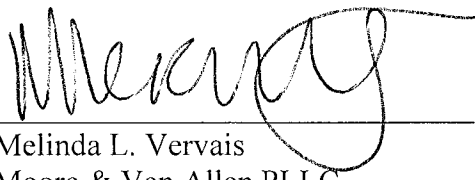
9. Local counsel of record associated with applicant in this case is Jeremy C. Hodges of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, L.L.P., 1320 Main Street, Suite 1700, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. SC Bar Number: 71123, Telephone: 803-255-9766.

10. Applicant has not previously filed an application to appear *pro hac vice* in the State of South Carolina.

11. Applicant agrees to comply with the applicable statutes, laws and rules of the State of South Carolina and will familiarize herself with and comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct. Applicant consents to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

12. Applicant respectfully requests to be admitted to practice in the above named tribunal for this case only.

DATED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

  
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# Supreme Court OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA




I, Christie S. Cameron Roeder, Clerk of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, do hereby certify that on August 25, 2006, license to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in all the Courts of this State was issued by the North Carolina Board of Law Examiners to

**MELINDA L. VERVAIS**

according to the certified list of licentiates reported by the Secretary of said Board and filed in my office as required by statute.

To the date of this certificate, no order revoking said license has been filed with this Court and no order suspending same is in effect.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of the Supreme Court of North Carolina at office in Raleigh, this March 17, 2015.



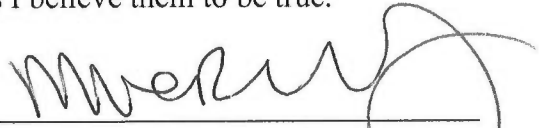
*Christie S. Cameron Roeder*

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Clerk of the Supreme Court  
of the State of North Carolina

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA )  
 )  
COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG )

**VERIFICATION**

I, Melinda L. Vervais, do hereby swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I am the applicant in the above styled matter; that I have read the foregoing application and know the contents thereof; and that the contents are true of my own knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and that as to those matters I believe them to be true.

  
Melinda L. Vervais

Mecklenburg County, North Carolina  
Signed and sworn to before me this day by Melinda L. Vervais

Date: May 5 2015   
\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public



My Commission Expires: June 17 2017

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**LOCAL COUNSEL CONSENT**

I hereby consent, as local counsel of record, to the association of applicant in this cause pursuant to Rules Governing Admission *Pro Hac Vice* to the South Carolina Bar.


DATED this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

  
Jeremy C. Hodges

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of this application upon the South Carolina Supreme Court by mail addressed to: South Carolina Supreme Court Office of Bar Admissions, P.O. Box 11330, Columbia, SC 29211, accompanied by payment of the \$250.00 filing fee payable to the South Carolina Supreme Court on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

  
Melinda L. Vervais

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the attached *Verified Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Melinda L. Vervais in the State of South Carolina* is being served this date electronically and via UPS Overnight upon:

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And that a copy of the attached *Verified Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Melinda L. Vervais in the State of South Carolina* is being served this date electronically or via U.S. Mail upon:

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This the 6<sup>TH</sup> day of May, 2015.

s/ Melinda L. Vervais  
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